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SUBJECT: ALGIERS NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE, SEPT. 5-8, 1973

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1. OVER WEEKEND PRES. AMIN MET WITH VISITING ALGERIAN MINISTER OF JUSTICE BANHAMOUDA AND ANNOUNCED HE WILL ATTEND SUBJECT CONFERENCE. ACCORDING TO PARTLY COMPREHENSIBLE VOICE OF UGANDA ARTICLE OF AUG. 13, BANHAMOUDA DELIVERED A SPECIAL MESSAGE TO PRES. FROM ALGERIAN PRESIDENT BOUMEDIENE. AMIN SAID HE WILL LEAD DELEGATION TO ALGIERS COMPOSED OF 10 OFFICIALS AND 15 BANDSMEN WHO WILL ENTERTAIN ALGERIAN PEOPLE. AMIN LISTED THE EXPLOSIVE PROBLEMS IN AFRICA AS RHODESIA, SOUTH AFRICA, MOZAMBIQUE, ANGOLA, GUINEA-BISSAU AND ME. ME IS ONE OF MAJOR ISSUES WHICH SHOULD BE DISCUSSED, HE STATED. HE STRESSED BRITISH ARE THERE (SIC) ONLY TO CONFUSE THE PEOPLE AND THAT THEY ARE FOUND IN ALL PLACES, INCLUDING SOUTH AFRICA. HE EXPRESSED SURPRISE THAT SOME NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES SUPPORTED BRITISH IN OTTAWA AND ASKED RHETORICALLY "WHAT IS THE USE OF THE OAU?" ISRAELIS, HE CONTINUED, ARE TREATING ARABS LIKE SLAVES AND AT TIMES FORCE ARAB PLANES TO LAND WITH INTENTION OF CAPTURING

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THEM. IN SAME WAY, BRITISH WENT OT RHODESIA AND NOW CLAIM THE

LAND TO BE THEIRS.

2. BANHAMOUDA REPORTEDLY SUPPORTED AMIN'S TRANSFER OF ECONOMY INTO HANDS OF CITIZENS AND THANKED PRES. FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONTRIBUTION HE HAS RENDERED IN STRUGGLE TO LIBERATE ARAB AND OTHER AFRICAN COUNTRIES. STATED FURTHER THAT EMPHASIS AT ALGIERS CONFERENCE WILL BE PUT ON TRYING TO SOLVE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PROBLEMS AS OUTLINED BY PRES. AMIN.

3. COMMENT: PERHAPS BECAUSE HE DECIDED TO BOW OUT OF GOING TO TOOAWA COMMONWEALTH CONFERENCE (ALTHOUGH STILL MANAGING TO CAPTURE MUCH OF THE LIMELIGHT), PRES. AMIN SEEMS MOST EAGER TO ATTEND ALGIERS SESSION. IF HE DOES, HE CAN BE EXPECTED TO BE AS NON-ALIGNED IN FAVOR OF ALL ARAB AND RADICAL AFRICAN LIBERATION POSITIONS AS ANYONE PRESENT.

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